A SURVEY OF MOTHERS IN NORTH DAKOTA

Wh	at is	today's date?		
Her	e are	e three questions about	your recent pregnancy. Ple	ase check the box next to the best answer:
1.W	/as y	our new baby born mo	ore than 3 weeks before its due dat	e? □ Yes □ No
2.	Did	l your new baby weigh	less than 5 pounds, 8 ounces at bin	th? □ Yes □ No
3.	a.	Does your baby have	e any special medical problems?	☐ Yes (Go to question 3b) ☐ No (Go to question 4)
	b.	Please describe your	new baby's medical problem:	
		t three questions are al	oout the baby born just befo	re your new baby. If you have only had one
4.	Wa	s the baby that was bor	rn just before your new baby, born Yes No I had a miscarriage (Go to que	more than 3 weeks before its due date? stion 7)
5.	Did	the baby that was bor	n just before your new baby, weigl □ Yes □ No	less than 5 pounds, 8 ounces at birth?
6.	a.	Did the baby that wa	s born just before your new baby, ☐ Yes (Go to question 6b) ☐ No (Go to question 7)	nave any special medical problems?
	b.	Please describe this l	paby's medical problems:	
Que	estio	ns 7-11 are about the $oldsymbol{t}$	hree months before you bed	came pregnant with your new baby:
7.			e three months before you vooke at all, enter "O" cigarettes.	vere pregnant, how many cigarettes per day did yo
		Cigarettes	☐ Less than one cigaret	te a day
8.	a.	On the average, during drink beer, wine, or li	ng the three months before y quor? <i>If you did not drink at all, e</i>	ou were pregnant, how many days a week did you nter "0" days and skip to question 9.
		Days a Week	Less than 1 day a wee	k
	b.	during the three mo		r liquor did you have on the days when you had a drink nant ? (A drink is: One glass of wine, One wine cooler, xed drink).
	-	Drinks a day		
9.	Dui only	•	Specifical Section 1: Specifical Section 2: Specifical Section 2: Specifical Section 3:	eek a week
10.	Wh	at was your weight be	fore you became pregnant?	_pounds
11.	Wh	at is your height?	feetinches	

12.	These questions are about events that may have happened during the 12 months before your delivery includes the three months before you got pregnant. For each event listed below, circle Y (Yes) if it happened to N (No) if it didn't.		
	a. A close family member was very sick and had to see a doctor.b. Another close relative was very sick and had to see a doctor.c. You got separated from your husband or partner.	Y	N
	d. You got divorced	Y	N
	f. You were involved in a physical fight	Y	N
	g. Your husband or partner physically hurt you h. You were arrested	Y	N
	i. You were charged with or convicted of an offensej. Your husband or partner was sent to jail	Y	N N
	k. Your husband or partner lost his job l. You got into debt over your head	Y	N
	m. You lost your job even though you wanted to go on working	Y	N
	n. Someone very close to you had a problem with drinking or drugs o. Your husband or partner died	Y	N
	p. A close family member (other than your husband) died	Y	N
	r. A close family member tried to commit suicide	Y	N
	s. You had no support from a partner or family member during your pregnancy	1	1
Her	re are a few more questions about your recent pregnancy :		
13.	How did you feel about becoming pregnant? <i>Check only one answer</i> . ☐ I wanted to be pregnant sooner		
	☐ I wanted to be pregnant later		
	 ☐ I wanted to be pregnant then ☐ I didn't want to be pregnant then or any time in the future 		
	☐ I was unsure how I felt about being pregnant ☐ Other:		
14.	Did any of these things keep you from getting health care as early as you wanted in your pregnancy? <i>Check a apply</i> .	ll that	
	☐ I had no one to take care of my children		
	 ☐ I had no way to get to the clinic or doctor's office ☐ I didn't know where to go for prenatal care 		
	 ☐ I couldn't get a doctor or nurse to take me as a patient ☐ I couldn't get an appointment earlier in my pregnancy 		
	☐ I couldn't get away from work		
	 □ The office hours were inconvenient □ I didn't know that I was pregnant 		
	 ☐ I didn't have enough money to pay for my visits ☐ My insurance didn't pay enough money for my visits 		
	☐ I didn't need to go so early because I'd been pregnant before and knew what it was all about		
	☐ I didn't think early prenatal care was important☐ I had no problems; I got care when I wanted it		
	Other:		
15.	 a. How did you travel to most of your pregnancy checkups? Check only one answer. □ I rode in my own vehicle 		
	☐ I rode with someone else in their vehicle ☐ I took a taxi		
	☐ I rode the bus		
	 □ Other way of travel: □ I didn't go to any prenatal visits (Please tell us why you didn't get any prenatal care, then skip to questic 	on 19)	:
	b. How many miles did you travel (one way) to your prenatal visits?Miles	ŕ	

	I had no one to take care of my I had no way to get to the clinic I couldn't get a doctor or nurse t I couldn't get an appointment ea I couldn't get away from work The office hours were inconven I didn't think that I was pregnan I didn't have enough money to p My insurance didn't pay enough I didn't know where to go I didn't need to go so early beca I had as many visits as the docto I had as many visits as I wanted My baby was premature Other:	or doctor's office o take me as a patient rlier in my pregnancy ient t oay for visits of or my visits use I'd been pregnant or wanted		
things l		r. If you went to more	you got during your most recent pregnancy. For each of the e than one doctor or clinic for prenatal care, answer for the <i>u with</i>	
17. a.	•	wait after you arrived Somewhat dissatisfi Very dissatisfied		
b.	•	or nurse spent with you Somewhat dissatisfi Very dissatisfied		
c.		ake care of yourself. Somewhat dissatisfi Very dissatisfied	ïied	
d.	2	as open. Somewhat dissatisfi Very dissatisfied	ïed	
e.	The understanding and respect t ☐ Very satisfied ☐ Somewhat satisfied ☐ It was OK			
	e following questions are about whenatal health care visits.	nat the doctor or n	nurse might have talked to you about at your	
a.	Did a doctor or nurse ask you if	you smoked?	□ Yes □ No	
b.	Did a doctor or nurse talk with y	ou about how smoking	ng during pregnancy could harm your baby? ☐ Yes ☐ No	
c.	Did a doctor or nurse talk with y harm your baby?	ou about how being a	around people who are smoking when you are pregnant could \Box Yes	
,			□ No	
d.	during your pregnancy?	nad been drinking any	y alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, wine coolers, or liquor) ☐ Yes ☐ No	

16. Did any of these things keep you from having as **many** prenatal visits as you wanted? *Check all that apply*.

e.	Did a doctor or nurse talk with you about now drinking during pregnancy could na	rm your baby? ☐ Yes ☐ No
f.	What did the doctor or nurse tell you about drinking during pregnancy? ☐ Told me not to have any alcohol at all ☐ Told me I could have alcohol for special events ☐ Told me I could have one drink a day ☐ Didn't tell me anything about drinking or not drinking alcohol	
g.	Did a doctor or nurse ask if you wanted to be tested for HIV/AIDS?	□ Yes □ No
h.	Did a doctor or nurse give you specific information about using or not using certain such as aspirin during your pregnancy?	□ Yes
		□ No
i.	Did a doctor or nurse ask if you were using drugs such as marijuana or crack coca	ine? □ Yes □ No
j.	Did a doctor or nurse talk with you about what you should eat during your pregnant	ncy? Yes No
k.	Did a doctor or nurse ask you if you had a cat as a pet or took care of a cat?	□ Yes □ No
1.	Did a doctor or nurse talk to you about the importance of thoroughly cooking mea	ts? □ Yes □ No
m.	Did a doctor or nurse talk to you about avoiding paint fumes, other chemicals, pest the work place or at home?	icides or radiation exposure in
		□ Yes □ No
n.	Did a doctor or nurse talk to you about the importance of wearing a vehicle safety	pelt when traveling during your
	pregnancy?	☐ Yes ☐ No
0.	Did a doctor or nurse talk with you about any family history of birth defects or gen	etic disease? Yes No
	uring your pregnancy, were you on any of these programs? Check all that apply. WIC (Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children) OPOP (Optimal Pregnancy Outcome Program) Healthy Start (reservation residents only) Native American Maternal & Child Health Program (Fort Totten) Food Stamps Prenatal Plus (Blue Cross/Blue Shield) Other - Please list:	

If you were on any of these programs, how did you feel about the services you received?

20.	a. Which three of these were the most useful in educating Check up to three answers. □ a. Prenatal Classes □ b. My doctor □ c. Clinic nurse □ d. Midwife □ e. Packet of information handed out at the doctor's □ f. OPOP Staff □ g. Healthy Start Staff □ h. WIC Staff □ i. Public Health Nurse □ j. Family and friends □ k. Books, magazines and other information that I fo □ l. My previous experiences with pregnancy □ m. Other:	
	b. Which of the above was most useful? (Lis	st the letter of the above item that was most helpful to you)
21.	How was your prenatal care paid for? Check all that apply. ☐ Personal income (cash, check or credit card) ☐ Insurance or Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) ☐ Medicaid ☐ Indian Health Service ☐ Military ☐ I still owe ☐ Other:	
22.	If there was one thing you could change about the prenatal ca	are you received, what would that be?
23.	 a. Did you visit the dentist for an examination and/or treat □ Yes (Go to question 24) □ No (Go to question 23b) 	ment during your pregnancy?
	b. If you answered No, what was the <u>major</u> reason you did ☐ I was afraid, apprehensive, nervous, or dislike going ☐ I did not have enough money or insurance to pay for ☐ I did not have a dentist ☐ I did not have transportation to the office/clinic ☐ I could not get a dental office to take me as a patient ☐ I was not having any problems ☐ I didn't think about going to the dentist ☐ I don't go to the dentist ☐ Other:	my visits
24.	Which statement describes your smoking behavior during pro ☐ I decreased my smoking ☐ I stopped completely ☐ I tried to stop, but failed ☐ I started smoking ☐ I increased my smoking ☐ I didn't smoke before or during my pregnancy	egnancy? Check only one answer.
25.	Are you smoking now that your pregnancy is over?	□ Yes □ No
26.	Does anyone in your household, other than you, smoke?	□ Yes □ No

27.	 Which statement best describes the smoking behaviors of you, your family, and friends around the baby? <i>Cone answer</i>. □ No one smokes in our house or car at all □ No one smokes in our house or car when the baby is there □ No one smokes in the same room when the baby is there □ No one smokes in the car when the baby is there □ Smoking is allowed anytime, anywhere in the house or car □ Other: 	'heck only	
28.	 Which statement describes your exercise habits during pregnancy? Check only one answer. □ Very little exercise (watch TV, read) □ Sporadic exercise (walking once or twice a week, volleyball or bowling once a week) □ Moderate exercise (regular walking, swimming, etc. for about 30 minutes a day or 20 minutes of vigor at least three times a week) □ Vigorous exercise (jog several miles a day, aerobics several times a week) 	ous exercis	se
29.	The following are things a doctor, nurse, or other health professional might have talked to you about during pregnancy or right after you had your baby. By each, please circle Y (Yes) if they did talk with you about if they did not talk with you about it.)
	a. Breastfeeding your baby	Y	N
	Breastfeeding your baby b. How smoking around your baby could affect his/her health	Y	N
	c. Parenting classes	Y	N
	d. How shaking a baby can cause brain damagee. Laying your baby down to sleep on his/her back or side, not on the stomach	Y	N
	f. Using a car safety seat for your baby	Y	N
	g. Other safety tips (cribs, baby walkers, playpens, etc.)	Y	N
	h. Family planning	Y	N
	i. The importance of folic acid in food or vitamin pills to prevent birth defects	Y	N
30.	a. Which three of these were most helpful to you in learning to care for your baby? □ a. Talking with my doctor □ b. Talking with my doctor's nurse □ c. A packet of information handed out at my doctor's office □ d. Prenatal Classes □ e. The newsletter "Parenting: The First Year" □ f. WIC Staff □ g. OPOP Staff □ h. Public Health Nurse □ i. Family and friends □ j. Healthy Start Staff (reservations only) □ k. My own study of books, pamphlets, videos, etc. □ l. Experience with my other child/children □ m. Other:		
	b. Which of the above items was most useful? (List the letter of the above item, that was m you in learning to care for your baby).	ost helpful	to
	 c. Are you using the <i>Baby Steps Keepsake</i> book to record information on your child's development and in from doctor's or WIC visits? (<i>This is a free resource booklet that your doctor, your insurance company OPOP might have given you</i>). ☐ Yes, I used the book during my pregnancy and now use it for my baby ☐ Yes, I use it for my baby, but didn't use it in my pregnancy ☐ No, I received one, but don't use it ☐ No, I don't use it, because I didn't receive one 		

31. How old was your baby when she/he came home from the hospital? *Check all that apply*. less than 12 hours old 12-24 hours old 25-48 hours old more than 48 hours old My baby is still in the hospital (Go to question 49) My baby was adopted (Go to question 49) My baby was born at home (Go to question 33) 32. Did your baby ride home from the hospital in an infant car safety seat? ☐ Yes \square No How old was your baby at the time you were visited at home by someone from public health, the hospital, OPOP, 33. a. or the Healthy Start Program? ☐ less than 1 week old \square more than 1 week old, but less than 2 weeks \square more than 2 weeks old \square we were not visited at home (Go to question 34) Please tell us what was helpful about the home visit: 34. For how many weeks or months did you breastfeed your baby before feeding him or her any other milk, formula or food? If you did not breastfeed, enter "0" weeks. _Weeks or _____Months I breastfed less than 1 week П П I'm still breastfeeding, but also give some formula and/or food (write down the number of months you fed breast milk only, then skip to question 36) I'm still breastfeeding and haven't fed my baby anything else (skip to question 36) 35. Did any of these things stop you from breastfeeding? Check all that apply. I just didn't want to breastfeed I was planning to go to work or school I tried but my baby didn't breastfeed very well I didn't think I had enough milk Baby preferred the bottle There was no one to help me with my breastfeeding problems My baby was not with me (preemie, adopted) I think it's better for my baby to be bottle fed I was taking medicine I felt it was time to stop \Box Other - *Please tell us why:* 36. About how much does your baby weigh now? ☐ less than 10 pounds ☐ 10-14 pounds ☐ 15-19 pounds ☐ 20-24 pounds \square 25-29 pounds \square 30 pounds or more 37. a. What is your baby's most common sleeping position? *Check only one answer*. □ Stomach □ Back □ Side Why did you choose this sleeping position for your baby? *Check only one answer*. □ Doctor or nurse at clinic suggested it ☐ WIC or OPOP staff suggested it ☐ A Public Health Nurse suggested it ☐ A family member or friend suggested it ☐ I read about it in a magazine, newspaper or baby care book ☐ I heard about it on TV or radio ☐ This is the way my other children slept ☐ I sleep in this position ☐ I was afraid of vomiting/spitting up/choking □ Other - *Please tell us why:*

Now we would like to ask you about how things went after your baby came home from the hospital.

38.	a.	Within the last two weeks wh □ crib, standard size □ bassinet □ cradle □ portable crib	ere does your baby usual adult bed sofa drawer box	y sleep at night? Check only one answer. ☐ on the floor ☐ playpen ☐ infant or car safety seat ☐ other:
	b.	□ sheet		eeping? Check all that apply. rug cushion sheepskin beanbag
39.		at was the number of blankets of $1 \Box 2 \Box 3 \Box 4 \text{ or } 1 \Box 4 4 \Box 4 \Box $		
40.	a.	Does your infant sleep on a p ☐ Yes (Go to question 40b) ☐ No (Go to question 41)	illow?	
	b.	How thick is the baby's pillov ☐ 1 inch thick ☐ 2 inc ☐ 3 inches thick ☐ 4 inc		
41.		the average night during the pacht? Do not count the diaper. 1 layer	/ers	yers of clothing does your baby usually wear to bed at
42.	a.	Does your baby currently slee ☐ Yes (Go to question 43) ☐ No (Go to question 42b)	ep with a cap on at night?	
	b.	If No, did your baby sleep wi ☐ Yes, untilmonths ☐ No	th a cap on when younger? s of age	
43.	Hov	w warm would you estimate the More than 72 degrees Less than 72 degrees	e temperature is in the room	n your baby now sleeps in most of the time?
44.	a.	How many times has your bay your baby was not sick)? □ 0 times □ 1 time □ 2 time		e for routine well baby check-ups (check-ups when \Box 5 times
	b.	apply. ☐ I didn't have enough mone ☐ My insurance wouldn't par ☐ My insurance pays some, ☐ I couldn't get an appointm ☐ I had no way to get the bar ☐ I didn't have anyone to tak ☐ I didn't know when to bring ☐ No, we take our baby to the ☐ Other - please tell us:	by y for it but I can't afford to pay the ent by to the doctor or clinic ac care of my other children my baby back to the doctor regularly for well	tor baby check-ups

45.	<i>ap</i>	any of these things keep you from getting medical care for your baby when he or she was sick? Check all that bly. I had no insurance and didn't have enough money to pay for routine visits My insurance pays some, but I couldn't afford to pay the rest I couldn't get an appointment I had no way to get my baby to the clinic or office I didn't have anyone to take care of my other children Nothing kept us from medical care when our baby was sick My baby has not been sick Other - please tell us:
46.	Has	your baby had the 2-month series of immunization shots? ☐ Yes ☐ No
47.	a.	Are you currently using a car safety seat for your baby's travel? \[\subseteq \text{ Yes (Go to questions 48)} \] \[\subseteq \text{ No (Go to question 47b)} \]
	b.	If No, why aren't you using a car safety seat? □ Can't afford one (Go to question 49) □ Don't believe they are necessary (Go to question 49) □ My baby doesn't like riding in one (Go to question 49) □ Other:
48.	a.	What type of car safety seat does your new baby most often ride in? <i>Check only one answer</i> . ☐ A car safety seat designed for infants only ☐ A car safety seat designed for both infants or toddlers ☐ A booster seat
	b.	How does the baby ride when traveling in a vehicle? Check the answer that applies most of the time. ☐ In the front seat facing backwards (safety seat faces back of vehicle) ☐ In the front seat facing forwards (safety seat faces windshield) ☐ In the back seat facing backwards (safety seat faces back of vehicle) ☐ In the back seat facing forward (safety seat faces windshield)
	c.	Do any of the vehicles that your baby rides in have a passenger side air bag? ☐ Yes ☐ No
	d.	Where did you get the car safety seat you are now using for your baby? Check only one answer? Purchased new for this baby Received new for this baby as a gift Had one from another of my babies Purchased used (at a rummage sale or thrift store) Received or purchased used from a family member or friend Given by hospital when baby was born Rented it from a car safety seat rental program Other:
49.	Who	ere do you go most of the time for your birth control or family planning services? Check only one answer. Family Planning Program Private Physician/Clinic Community Health Center UND Family Practice Center Indian Health Service Military Health System Over-the-Counter (condoms, foams, etc.) I don't go anywhere, I've had my tubes tied or my husband or partner has had a vasectomy I'm using natural family planning, so don't go anywhere I'm not using any kind of birth control

50.	How many people are in your household?People How many are 17 years or younger? How many are 18 years or older?
51.	What is the highest level of education that you and the baby's father have completed?
	Mother Father □ No formal education □ Some Grade School □ Completed Grade School □ Some High School □ Completed High School/GED □ Some College or Technical School □ Completed College □ Some Graduate Work □ Completed Graduate Work
52.	What is your age?Years
53.	What is the age of the baby's father?Years
54.	Who in your household earned income during your pregnancy? Check all that apply. □ Yourself □ Your Father/Stepfather □ Husband □ Your Mother/Stepmother □ Male Partner □ Other:
55.	What is your annual household income before taxes and other deductions? ☐ Under \$10,000 ☐ \$40,000 - \$49,000 ☐ \$10,000 - \$19,000 ☐ \$50,00 or More ☐ \$20,000 - \$29,000 ☐ Don't Know ☐ \$30,000 - \$39,000
56.	a. How far into your pregnancy did you work? ☐ I worked until the day I delivered ☐ I worked until 2-6 days before I delivered ☐ I worked untilweeks before my delivery ☐ I didn't work outside the home during my pregnancy (Go to question 57)
	 b. How would you classify the physical demands of your job? □ Physically active (on your feet most of the day; have to lift heavy objects; have to travel a lot by car or plane, or do a lot of farm work) □ Not physically active (work at desk or computer most of day)
	 c. How would you classify the mental stress of your job? □ Extremely stressful □ Somewhat stressful □ Not mentally stressful
57.	Do you live on a military base? ☐ Yes ☐ No
58.	Do you live on an Indian reservation? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Is the	here anything else you would like to tell us about your prenatal care or things you would like to have learned more about
in t	aking care of your baby?
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If you have any concerns about the questions on the survey, feel free to call our toll-free number: 1-800-472-2286.

Living in North Dakota, your chances of having a healthy baby are better than in many other states, and we want to help keep it that way!

Thank you for helping us.

Please return this survey in the enclosed self-addressed, postpaid envelope to:

Division of Maternal and Child Health ND Health Department 600 E Boulevard Ave Bismarck ND 58505-9986

Winter/Spring 1996

Dear North Dakota Mother:

The North Dakota Department of Health (Division of Maternal and Child Health) works toward improving the health of North Dakota's mothers and babies. As part of the division's commitment to healthy mothers and babies, we are surveying mothers whose babies are about three months old. This information will help us to better understand the type of health care you received during your pregnancy and following the baby's birth, and how you learned to care for your new baby.

It will take you about twenty minutes to complete the survey. If you made an adoption plan for your baby or if your baby died after birth, we would still appreciate you completing questions 1-28 and 50-58. Please complete the survey and mail it in the enclosed, addressed, postage-paid envelope within two weeks.

For those of you completing the survey, we will draw for prizes donated by the March of Dimes (an activity gym) and the North Dakota Injury Prevention Program (toddler car safety seat). Just write your name, address, and phone number on the enclosed postcard and mail it to the department. We will hold the drawing on June 3, 1996.

The number on the top of the page lets us know if you returned your survey. After we have received your completed survey, we will match the numbers to our list and remove your name and address. If you do not complete the survey and return it to us, we will mail you another survey in three weeks. Again, please note we will not connect your name with your answers in any way.

Your answers in this survey will help us decide how best to spend our limited funding -- your tax dollars. Thanks for your help in keeping North Dakota's babies healthy.

Sincerely,

Sandra Anseth, R.N., B.S.N. Director Division of Maternal & Child Health

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